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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 27, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 27, 2005, and which has been extended, by the herein enclosed Request for Extension of Time, to expire on November 28, 2005 (November 27, 2005 being a Sunday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection together with an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Response.